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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	34	Minus	** = 36	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 27, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on October 27, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.